

## **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Members of the General Assembly  
**From:** Iowa Judicial Branch  
**Re:** Shorthand Reporters Oversight  
**Date:** 12/8/2016

This bill amends the sections of Chapter 602 that relate to shorthand reporters and the board of examiners of shorthand reporters.

The amendment to section 602.31201 grants the supreme court the authority to supervise the board of examiners of shorthand reporters, including the authority to review, approve, modify, or reject board actions, procedures, and decisions. Applicable court rules will be adopted to implement this code change.

New section 602.3206 authorizes shorthand reporters whose certification is in exempt status to transcribe and certify proceedings reported while the reporter was active. Shorthand reporters transcribing or certifying proceedings pursuant to the exception would remain subject to the jurisdiction of the board of examiners of shorthand reporters.